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tures of the entire personnel of the ships of the Panama Railway Steamship Line will be continued, and all those presenting any symptoms of yellow fever will be sent to the hospital for further observation.

The quarantine which the island of Jamaica has maintained against Colon during the past 6 months has been removed, and the Royal Mail Line of steamships is now permitted to take passengers to Jamaican ports. Large numbers of Jamaican negroes have been waiting for this opportunity to return to their homes in Jamaica, and the removing of this quarantine will be a considerable relief to the Isthmus.

Costa Rica still maintains a quarantine against all Panaman ports, and will keep it in force until 60 days have elapsed since the case of

plague reported in La Boca on August 26.

Report from Bocas del Toro, fruit port—Yellow fever.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Osterhout reports as follows: Week ended October 6, 1905: Present officially estimated population not obtainable; 2 deaths; 2 cases of yellow fever; prevailing diseases, malarial fever and yellow fever; general sanitary condition of this port and the surrounding country during the week, infected.

Bills of health were issued to the following-named vessels:

Date.	Vessel.	Destination.	Number of crew.	Number of passengers from this port.	Number of passengers in transit.	Pieces of baggage.
Sept. 30 Oct. 4 5	Belvernon	Mobile, Aladodo	23 16 23	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0

## PERU.

Report from Callao—Refusal of certain officers on steamship Peru to submit to vaccination—Quarantine of vessels from Payta—New water-supply system—Plague.

Assistant Surgeon Lloyd reports, September 24 and 27, as follows: Referring to the steamship *Peru*, from which a case of smallpox was taken at Caldera, Chile, as reported September 14, 1905, I have the honor to state that two of the officers of this vessel refused to submit to vaccination. The incident occurred just as the vessel was ready to sail, and out of consideration for the rest of the personnel, and upon a specific promise from the master and the agent to discharge these men unless they would be vaccinated en route, I allowed the vessel to proceed. I have no doubt that the company will comply with this promise.

Vessels are still quarantined to complete 7 days from Payta when south bound from Panama and Guayaquil, and passengers can enter other Peruvian ports only via Callao. This latter provision applies also to passengers arriving from Chilean ports who are required to

come to Callao before embarking for ports south.

A sufficient appropriation has been made to put in a sewerage system in Callao, and bids are due to be opened this week. Many houses have been connected with the new water supply, which is from a series of wells about 4 miles from here and is probably water which has filtered from the river Rimac. The old supply, which is still used to some extent, comes in greater part from this stream, which receives the entire sewage of Lima at a distance of only about 7 miles from